# **Prayer List**

Louise Bagwell, Thomy Brewster, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler, Marc Genua, Anna Bell Green, Eleanor Green, Michelle Grimm, Virgil Hale, Gordon Hatcher, Dennis Hogan, Kenny Hughes, Paige Lackey, Mo Mallette III, Juan Mandujano, Larry McCollum, Betty Miller, Magaly Orozco, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Jana Ward

## The Numbers

Sunday, August 3

Attendance

Songs First Prayer

Devotional

**Closing Prayer** 

19/23/16

David Snyder

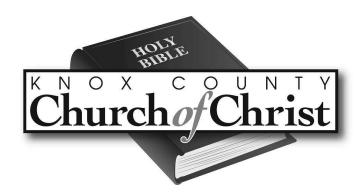
Terry Hurst **Barry Simmons** 

**Tommy Sanders** 

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	Those Servi	ng	
Prayer Before Sunday Classes		Kevin Felker	
Sunday Morning Worship			
Announcements & Prayer		Barry Simmons	
Songs		Keith Keever	
Sermon		Brad Green	
Lord's Supper & Contribution		Charles Hatcher	
Assistant		Levy Cox	
Closing Prayer		David Snyder	
Sunday Afternoon Worship			
First Prayer		Keith Keever	
Songs		Kevin Felker	
Sermon		Brad Green	
Lord's Supper		Charles Hatcher	
Closing Pray	/er	Terry Hurst	
Wednesday Night			

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# August 10, 2014



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### **Meeting Location:**

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#### **Schedule of Services**

#### **Sunday**

Bible Study	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30AM & 1:30 PM

#### Wednesday

Bible Study......7:00 PM



# From The Preacher's Pen

# "WHO STARTED THE CHURCH OF CHRIST?"

[The following article was written by Virgil L. Hale, and appeared in the January 15, 1996 Beacon, a Publication of Bellview Church of Christ, Pensacola, FL]

Some have charged the church of Christ had its beginning with the Campbells who came to the United States in the early 1800s. Documentary research of Dr. Robinson, principle of Overdale College in Birmingham, England, shows the following: "In the Furness District of Lancashire, in North West England, there existed in 1669, during the reign of Charles II, a group of eight churches of Christ. Most of them are not now in existence. An old minute-book has been found on the year 1669 and it shows that they called themselves by the name of church of Christ, practiced baptism by immersion, celebrated the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day, and had elders and deacons. There was also a church of Christ in Dungannon, Ireland, in 1804 and in Allington, Dengigshire. In 1735, John Davis, a young preacher in the Fife District of Scotland was preaching New Testament Christianity, twentyfive years before Thomas Campbell (Alexander Campbell's father) was born."

The church of Christ was promised by Jesus Christ (Mat. 16:18), began on Pentecost (Acts 2) and has existed since that day (Dan. 2:44)!

In view of the above, how can anyone honestly accuse us of following a man, Alexander Campbell? There are some, who because of prejudice, refer to us members of the Lord's church as "Campbellites." Those who do so know better, but they are really just promoting what they have heard their ancestors say. There is not a doctrine or practice, engaged in by the

Lord's church that originated with Alexander Campbell or any other man.

Anywhere in this world that people follow the teaching of Christ, found in the New Testament, they are a congregation of the New Testament church. After all, He left us a book of instructions plain enough to be followed. If we follow it as we would any other blue-print, we will be what He wants us to be. We claim to be nothing more nor less than the New Testament church, and we challenge anyone to prove differently.

When I hear people use the term "Campbellite" I tell them that I have never met anyone who wears that name. In fact, I let it be known that I would like to meet such a person and find out what they believe and practice. However, I make it clear that if such people exist, they are wrong religiously, because they are following a man rather than following the Lord.

It should be clear to all sensible thinking people, that if we all follow the Bible, we will all be teaching and practicing the same thing. In fact, we will all be simply "Christians"—nothing more, nothing less, and nothing else. Is this not what our Lord prayed for in John chapter 17? Surely it is!!

-- Wirgil R. Hale

## **Welcome Visitors**

Thank you for visiting with us today. If you have any questions about anything said or done during our worship service, please feel free to ask. Also, please take a moment to fill out one of our visitor's information cards and stick around after services so that we can get to know you better.

# The Gospel Plan of Salvation

- HEAR the word of God; the Bible (Romans 10:17)
- BELIEVE the word of God and that Jesus is Lord (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6)
- REPENT of sin (Acts 17:30)
- CONFESS that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Matthew 10:32-33)
- BE BAPTIZED in order to receive remission of sins (Acts 2:38); in order to have past sins washed away (Acts 22:16); in order to get into the body of Christ, the church (Romans 6:3-4; Acts 2:47); in order to be saved (Mark 16:15-16; 1 Peter 3:21)
- LIVE FAITHFULLY in accordance with God's word (1 John 1:6-9; Revelation 2:10)

### **Our Location**

We meet in Suite 102 of Four Seasons Village, at 130 Mabry Hood Road in Knoxville, TN. Coming from Kingston Pike, we are on the right just past Chili's. Come and visit with us!

